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In re Application of Kapitskaia, et al. Application No. 09/841,834 Filed: April 25, 2001 Attorney Docket No. 2000-0255

DECISION ACCORDING STATUS UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to the Request for Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed December 30, 2002.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application was filed on April 25, 2001, without an executed oath or declaration. Accordingly, on June 18, 2001, the Initial Patent Examination Division mailed a Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application. This Notice set a two month period for reply.

In reply, applicant filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) on February 12, 2002 and paid the surcharge for late filing of the declaration. To make timely this reply, applicant obtained a five month extension of time and included a Certificate of Mailing dated January 18, 2002. Applicant included a declaration signed by inventors Raymond Ng and Divesh Srivastava. The declaration lacked a signature from inventor Olga Kapitskaia.

However, this petition was dismissed in a decision mailed on October 31, 2002. Petitioner did not establish that a copy of the application papers had been sent to Kapitskaia for her review. In addition, petitioner provided an e-mail from Kapitskaia indicating her intention to sign and return the declaration within one week.

With the instant petition, petitioner attested that he had firsthand knowledge that the application papers were in fact sent to Kapitskaia for her review. In addition, according to petitioner, no executed declaration from Kapitskaia has been received as of the date of the petition.

The declaration filed February 12, 2002, and the petition have been reviewed and found to be in compliance with  $37\ \text{CFR}\ 1.47(a)$ .

This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventors at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to Petitions Attorney Cliff Congo at (703) 305-0272.

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In re Reissue Application of Olga Kapitskaia, Raymond Ng, and

Divesh Srivastava

Application No. 09/841,834 Filed: April 25, 2001 Title: METHOD FOR USING QUERY TEMPLATES IN DIRECTORY CACHES LETTER

## Dear Ms. Kapitskaia:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code) and 37 C.F.R. 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 C.F.R. 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, agent of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Petitions Attorney Cliff Congo at (703) 305-0272. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding to the pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to the Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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